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## PETROGRAD. TEUTON'S GOAL

**Teutons, Enthusiastic Over Capture of Warsaw and Ivangorod, Press on Toward Russian Capital.**

**Russians Manage to Remove All of Their Troops Before Ivangorod is Taken by Germans and Are Now Withdrawing in Military Manner Along Five Hundred Mile Battle Line—Believed That England Will Soon Resort to Conscription to Obtain Troops—Placing of General Sarraill at Head of French in Dardanelles Means Brisker Offensive Movement in That Sphere of Mighty Struggle.**

### IVANGOROD ALSO LOST.

**Russians Withdrew Stores and Blew up Forts Before Leaving.**

Petrograd, Aug. 6.—Ivangorod and Warsaw have been lost but the latest reports indicate that Grand Duke Nicholas is withdrawing his armies methodically and checkmating the German attacks on both flanks. Before leaving Ivangorod, the Russians withdrew their stores, blew up the forts and bridges, and then retreating to right bank of the Vistula. The Austrian and German successes are causing no panic here. The public had been prepared for bad news.

### "ON TO PETROGRAD."

**Germans Enthusiastic for War of Conquest.**

Berlin, Aug. 6.—Ivangorod, the strong Polish fortress 55 miles south-east of Warsaw, has fallen. The Austro-Germans entered the fortress on Thursday. There is no mention in the reports of the capture of Russian prisoners which leads to the belief that the Russians succeeded in saving all their men.

The Russians are in retreat from the Baltic to Galicia over a line approximately five hundred miles long. The evacuation of Riga is expected hourly, as Gen. von Buelow's cavalry army is only ten miles from that city. Enthused by their victories the Germans have substituted "On to Petrograd" for the battle cry, "On to Paris."

### ENGLAND FACES CONSCRIPTION.

**Drastic Means to Increase Army May be Necessary to Save England.**

London, Aug. 6.—Lord Kitchener conferred with the premier and other members of the cabinet today for the third time in four days. It is believed that conscription will now be resorted to as the result of the German victories over Russia. Germany it is expected will soon begin transferring large bodies of troops to the western theatre and will make a gigantic drive against the Allies' lines while Russia is recovering. It is realized that every available man will be needed to meet the new move of the Germans.

### A BARREN VICTORY.

**Germans Find a Devastated Country Which Russians Have Stripped of Everything of Value.**

Berlin, Aug. 7.—Devastation unparalleled is being wrought by the Russians in their retreat from the Vistula. Railroads, bridges and crops have been destroyed. Villages are in flames, and nothing that might prove of assistance to the Germans is being left. Novogeorgievsk is under heavy bombardment. The Germans predict its capture, together with the garrison of approximately fifty thousand troops.

### BRITISH CLAIMS REJECTED.

**Secretary Lansing Prepares Note to England Vigorously Upholding Shipping Rights.**

Washington, Aug. 7.—Emphatic demands for immediate action on the shipping situation which are pouring in on the administration from shippers, will probably hasten the American reply to Great Britain's recent notes. As submitted to President Wilson by Secretary Lansing the preliminary draft rejects the British claims almost in toto. While not an ultimatum, the note vigorously upholds the shipping rights of American citizens.

### RUSSIAN ARMY REINFORCED.

**Six Hundred Thousand Fresh Troops Sent to Front.**

Petrograd, Aug. 7.—It is announced that six hundred thousand fresh troops are on the way to the front to reinforce the Russian army, and more soldiers will be dispatched daily. The

announcements say "the Russian army retains all its cohesion, strength and energy."

### TURKS MAKE GAINS.

**Russians in Trans-Caucasia Driven Back.**

Constantinople, Aug. 7 (Official).—Our right wing continues to gain ground on the Trans-Caucasian front. We have occupied Alashgerd and the whole Mudar valley. The enemy's attacks in the Dardanelles today were repulsed.

### GERMANS TAKE OFFENSIVE.

**French Forces Hard Pressed in Argonne.**

Paris, Aug. 7.—An ever-growing fierceness marks the German offensive in the Argonne, according to the official statement today. It reports that the fighting is of the most violent character, particularly about Hill 213. It is claimed that all attacks were repulsed.

### ALLIES LOSE BULGARIA.

**Will Probably Join Germany in War.**

London, Aug. 7.—The efforts of the allies to buy Bulgaria's neutrality have been balked by Greece, which has refused to concede territory to keep Bulgaria from joining Germany in the war.

English Ships Submarine. Special to The Daily Item.

London, Aug. 7.—Six English fishing boats, the Norwegian steamer Vendus, and the Danish schooner Emil were submarine today.

### ITALIAN SUBMARINE SUNK.

Special to The Daily Item. Paris Aug. 7.—The Italian submarine Nereide has been sunk off Pelagos Island by an Austrian submarine.

### RUSSIAN LINES INTACT.

**Retreating Army Holds Germans at Bay as It Retreats in Good Order.**

Petrograd, Aug. 9.—After holding Gen. Mackensen's army at bay for ten days until the army retreating from Warsaw could reach the previously prepared defenses the Russians are now retreating from the Veprez river. The Russians still maintain an unbroken front despite the utmost efforts of the Germans to break through their line. The Russian reinforcements in the Riga region are making themselves felt and a section of the enemy was rolled back toward Mitau. Severe rear guard actions continue between the Bug and Narew rivers, where the Russians are falling back slowly to join the main line east of the Bug, Bobr and Niemen rivers.

### ITALIANS DESTROY GORIZIA.

**Gerat Battle for Possession of Fortress Nearing End.**

Rome, Aug. 9.—Gorizia, against which the Italians have been pounding for many weeks has been practically destroyed by artillery fire. The indications are that the great battle is reaching the final stages. Dispatches today state that the Austrian defense is growing weaker and the Italian artillery prevents supplies and ammunition from reaching the fortress.

### BREACH IN RUSSIAN LINES.

**10,000 Russians Captured and Attempt to Take 200,000 More.**

Vienna, August 9.—The Austro-Germans have pierced the Russian front on the Veprez River with Lublin, according to a dispatch from Austrian headquarters, dividing their forces and the retreating Russians are threatened with disaster.

The correspondent states that the breach of the Russian lines was twenty-two miles wide. The Austrians are dashing forward to capture Siedlec and cut off two hundred thousand

## HANDS-OFF POLICY.

**LATIN-AMERICA BALKS AT CONCERTED ACTION IN MEXICO.**

Result of Pan-American Conference on Mexican Situation a Distinct Disappointment to Administration—South Americans Believe Mexicans Should be Left to Settle Their Own Affairs.

Special to The Daily Item.

Washington, Aug. 7.—The administration is disappointed at the result of the Mexican conferences. Instead of finding the Latin-American countries willing to support the plan of concerted action, Secretary Lansing was forced to report to the president that many of them still believed the Mexicans should be left to settle their own differences.

None of the Latin-Americans favor armed intervention, unless the United States acts alone. All approved the plan for another appeal to the Mexicans to get together. This will be prepared by Secretary Lansing before the next meeting, the date for which was not set.

One reason for Gen. Scott's departure for the border was the receipt by Secretary Lansing of a communication from Gen. Carranza stating that Gen. Obregon and other generals were ready at any time to confer with Gen. Villa. It is believed Gen. Scott can arrange a meeting of leaders of the Mexican factions.

### MAN SHOOT'S CHILD.

**Herman Brooks is Dangerously Wounded While at Play.**

Lexington, Aug. 7.—Herman Brooks aged about 5 years, the son of a Columbia family who with his mother was visiting relatives at Saxe-Gotha, was shot and dangerously wounded by Preston Frye, a young man about 24 years of age. Frye, so the story goes, was cleaning up and oiling an old rusty pistol in the yard. The little fellow, in a childish mood, kept playing with Frye, slapping him with his hands, when Frye told him "if you do that again I will shoot you." The little fellow repeated the performance, whereupon Frye, it is alleged, raised up his pistol and fired. The ball pierced the left side of the body and came out on the other, causing an ugly wound. A Lexington physician was hastily called, and gave the little fellow all attention possible, but believing that an operation would be necessary, he ordered the child to be carried to Columbia for treatment.

### CONFERENCE ON WEDNESDAY.

**To Discuss Mexican Situation Again With Latin-American Diplomats.**

Washington, August 9.—Secretary Lansing has announced that the next conference of the Latin-American diplomats on the Mexican situation will be on Wednesday at the Biltmore Hotel, New York.

### TO CONVEY BRAZILIAN MINISTER

**Will Come from Mexico City to Confer with Administration Officials.**

Washington, Aug. 9.—Commander McNamee, at Vera Cruz, has been ordered to furnish a warship to convey the Brazilian Minister Cordoza from Vera Cruz to Galveston. He is coming from Mexico City to confer with the administration.

Russians. Ten thousand are already captured.

The capture of Kovno would cut off the main avenue of Russian retreat.

### Germans on Offensive in West.

Paris, August 9.—A general offensive all along the western battle line has been begun by the Germans, according to the official statement today. Fighting is particularly violent north of Saucelle in the Artois section. A terrific artillery fire is directed against the Allies' trenches all along the line, interspersed with strong infantry attacks in numerous places.

### Germans Occupy Praga.

Berlin, August 9.—The Germans have crossed the Vistula and are occupying Praga. Novogeorgievsk has been cut off. The Germans are now approaching Krovno.

### Step Toward Conscription.

London, Aug. 9.—The work of registering all men between the ages of 15 and 65 began today. This is regarded as the first step toward conscription.

### Turkish Battleship Sunk.

Constantinople, Aug. 9.—The Turkish battleship Kheyr-ed-Darbarossa was sunk by a British submarine in the Sea of Marmora. It carried six 11-inch guns and six hundred men.

## AMERICANS OCCUPY HAITI.

**UNITED STATES MARINES SEIZE PORT-AU-PRINCE AND CAPE HAITIEN AND TAKE GUNBOAT.**

Uncle Sam's Naval Forces Open Fire on Haitians in Taking Office of Port at Port-au-Prince—Nation Makes Protest Against Invasion.

Port-au-Prince, Haiti, Aug. 6.—American naval forces, today took possession of the office of the port, the national palace and the Haitian gunboat Pacificque, which arrived in Port-au-Prince this morning. During the movements to take the office of the port the Americans opened fire on the Haitians and one Haitian was killed.

Today's seizures gave the Americans the last position held by the Haitians. The populace has been thrown into consternation by the operations of the American forces.

The president of the senate, in the name of the nation, today cabled Saloi, Menos, Haitian minister to the United States, a new protest against the occupation of Haitian territory by American marines.

The American authorities have notified the diplomatic body and the consular agents that Col. Eli K. Cole, of the United States marine corps, and commander of the American expeditionary forces, is entrusted with the maintenance of order and the safeguarding of life and property.

Capt. Edward L. Beach, chief of staff of Admiral Caperton, remains in charge of the work of settling any differences of an administrative nature which may arise with the Haitian authorities.

Dr. Rosalvo Bobo, leader of the revolution, arrived here today on board the United States refrigerator ship Celtic. On landing he was cheered by the populace.

A meeting of the National Assembly has been called for Sunday to elect a new president.

### Cape Haitien Occupied.

Cape Haitien, Haiti, Aug. 6.—The American battleship Connecticut has arrived here from Port-au-Prince and has landed men.

The American authorities have taken over control of Cape Haitien. American marines are disarming the people of the city and the forces of the revolution have received orders not to enter city limits.

A number of Haitians who were candidates for the presidency, including Dr. Rosalvo Bobo, the leader of the revolution, have left here for Port-au-Prince, to be present at the forthcoming election by the National Assembly of a new president.

Acting upon orders issued by the American authorities, 800 revolutionary soldiers today sailed for Port-au-Prince on board the dispatch boat Nord Alexis.

The local committee of safety, not having been recognized by the American naval authorities, has disbanded.

### CAPERTON RULES HAITI.

**American Admiral is Practically Dictator of the Island.**

Washington, Aug. 7.—Admiral Caperton reporting the capture of the Haitian gunboat Pacificque today stated that Americans had been placed aboard as guards. Admiral Caperton is practically dictator of the island and all government business is carried on by his direction. He advises that Bobo hands will sell their services to the highest bidder and will have to be broken up before peace can be established.

### KILLED TWO HAITIENS.

**Soldiers Die When Customs House is Taken by U. S. Marines.**

Washington, Aug. 7.—Admiral Caperton has advised the State department that two Haitian soldiers were killed by marines in taking the customs house at Port-au-Prince yesterday.

### MEXICANS DRIVEN OFF.

**Bandits Defeated in Battle at Norias Branch.**

Brownsville, Aug. 9.—The Mexican bandits who attacked the Norias ranch under cover of darkness were put to flight by the American defenders early today. According to latest advices seven Mexicans are reported killed and sixteen wounded by the rangers and cowboys. Several Americans were wounded. United States soldiers were rushed to Norias and Lyford where another attack was reported. Martial law has been proclaimed throughout Cameron county.

## GARRANZA CAUSES SURPRISE.

**ORDERING OF GUATEMALAN MINISTER TO LEAVE CAPITAL UPSETS CALCULATIONS.**

Taken as Unfriendly Act—Confidence for Restoring Peace in Mexico, he Resumed in New York.

Washington, Aug. 8.—The Pan-American conferences begun here last week to plan for restoring government in Mexico probably will be resumed in New York Wednesday. Secretary Lansing made this announcement tonight after his return from New York, where he conferred with Secretary McAdoo. Mexican affairs and the cooperative effort of the United States and Latin-American Republics to end the factional strife were discussed.

"We talked of the Mexican situation," said Secretary Lansing, "but we did not consider any financial plan for supporting a Mexican government. The principal purpose of my visit to New York was to talk with Mr. McAdoo concerning financial arrangements for the Pan-American Financial Congress at Buenos Aires in September. There is considerable preliminary work to be done in connection with that."

Administration officials who had believed that a peace parley might be held by the Mexican factions independent of the appeal the American nations will make to the leaders were not so sanguine today. Reports from Mexico City that Dr. Juan J. Ortega, the Guatemalan minister, had been given his passports by Gen. Carranza were responsible for this change in mind. Inasmuch as Guatemala is represented in the Latin-American conference, Carranza's action is regarded here as indicating unfriendliness toward the conference.

Ortega's forced departure from Mexico, together with the departure of M. Cordoza, the Brazilian minister at Mexico City, will leave in the Mexican capital no diplomatic representatives of any of the seven nations participating in the conference.

Dr. Ortega, it is stated here, has not been on good terms with Carranza for some time. It also has been learned that Carranza agents unsuccessfully appealed to the Guatemalan minister here, Mr. Mendez, urging him to support Carranza's cause in the joint deliberations now being held.

Minister Cordoza, who has been in charge of American affairs at Mexico City since the withdrawal of Charge O'Shaughnessy, is coming to the United States.

It has been suggested that his information regarding conditions will be of value to the diplomats in their consideration of plans for settling Mexico's troubles.

### MEMBERS OF NAVY BOARD.

**Two From Aeronautic Society are Named.**

New York, Aug. 8.—The American Society of Aeronautic Engineers tonight announced the appointment of Henry A. Wise Wood, its president, and Elmer A. Sperry, its vice president, as members of the navy advisory board.

A special committee was named to cooperate with Mr. Wood and Mr. Sperry. Its members are Orville Wright, Glenn H. Curtiss, W. Starling Burgess, Charles H. Manly, Peter Cooper Hewitt, John Hays Hammond, Jr., Joseph A. Steinmetz, Thomas H. Baldwin, A. Leo Stevens, Ralph H. Upson and Raymond B. Price.

### FIGHT ON IN GEORGIA.

**Anti-Paralleling Bill Declared Unconstitutional and Substitute Offered.**

Atlanta, Aug. 9.—The Western Atlantic anti-parallel bill was taken up by the house today. Atkinson offered a substitute, stating that the Person's bill was unconstitutional. The house will hold an afternoon session. No filibuster has started yet.

### IS ARRESTING LEADERS.

**Rounding up Haitian Chiefs and Placing Them on U. S. Battleship.**

Washington, Aug. 9.—Admiral Caperton advises that he is rounding up the leaders of various revolutionary bands in Haiti and placing them aboard American warships. Marines were sent to St. Marie to quell Guilaume soldiers who were trying to loot the town. The factional leaders will be given a chance to select a compromise president.

### Father of "Mystic Shrine" Dies.

Rocheater, August 9.—Geo. F. Loder, "Father of the Mystic Shrine," is dead here today following an operation.

## OUTLAWS WOUND AMERICANS.

**MEXICAN OUTLAWS KILLED IN CLASH.**

Make Attack on Ranch House at Norias and Withdraw but Return Later.

Harlingen, Texas, Aug. 8.—Five American ranchmen were wounded, two seriously and several Mexican outlaws were reported killed or wounded in a battle tonight between Texas rangers and American ranchers and a band of Mexican bandits at Norias ranch in Cameron county, a telephone message from Norias said tonight.

The outlaws said to number between 30 and 50 attacked the ranch house shortly before dark. Fourteen ranchmen barricaded themselves and defended the place until 10 o'clock when the message said the Mexicans withdrew temporarily. Shortly after the bandits had withdrawn 16 Texas rangers and armed civilians arrived.

Later the report says, the Mexicans returned, unaware that reinforcements had arrived. They again charged the house and several were killed. They then retreated again.

A special train left Harlingen shortly before 10 o'clock tonight carrying 35 United States soldiers and 12 armed civilians to reinforce the Americans.

Passenger trains were running through the district tonight without lights.

### COUNTY TREASURERS TO MEET.

**Following Call from Darlington Official County Officers Will Form Organization August 12.**

Darlington, Aug. 7.—On July 27 the county treasurer, R. F. Howle, addressed a letter to every county treasurer and auditor in the State, proposing that they meet in Columbia on August 12 at the State house at 12 o'clock. A majority of the officers have been heard from, and the meeting will be held on August 12 at the appointed place and hour.

The meeting is to be held for the purpose of effecting an organization among these public officials which shall result in benefit to the counties which they serve. Mr. Howle states that it is for the purpose of more efficiently serving their counties that their getting together is planned.

### PEACE NOT CONSIDERED.

**Russian Emperor Refuses to Think of Separate Pact, Says Petrograd Rumor.**

Petrograd, (via London), Aug. 9.—The report that Germany had made peace proposals to Russia became known in official circles here several days ago and was discussed freely in the lobbies of the duma, says the Vechnee Vremya.

"We learn on good authority," says the newspaper, "that Germany through Denmark proposed to Russia a separate peace, Russia to receive Galicia while Germany would retain the western district of Poland. A representative of the foreign office categorically denied that there was the remotest possibility of any peace negotiations. In the lobbies of the duma the proposal was dismissed as 'unworthy of serious consideration.'"

### UNCLE TAKES NEPHEW'S LIFE.

**Walter Rogers Slain by Enos W. Rogers at Mullins.**

Mullins, Aug. 7.—Enos W. Rogers shot and killed Walter Rogers, his nephew, near here this afternoon. Walter Rogers was the son of Joe Rogers and was 22 years of age. His slayer is 30 years of age. The tragedy is said to have been the termination of a fight between the two men earlier in the day. Enos W. Rogers employed Walter Rogers to work in his tobacco field and it is said that a disagreement arose between the two when the time for settlement came for the week's work. The sum of \$1 is said to have been involved in the dispute.

The young man was shot in the back while trying to escape, it is declared, while another bullet penetrated the brain. The weapon used was a revolver of .32 calibre.

Two brothers of Enos W. Rogers are serving terms on the chargin for the killing of George Waller in the fall. They were convicted of manslaughter at the spring term of court.

The coroner this afternoon empaneled a jury but necessary witnesses could not be secured and the inquest was postponed until 10 o'clock Sunday morning.

Enos Rogers has not been arrested although the sheriff and rural policeman are searching for him and expect to have him in custody before midnight.